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SUBJ: US FIRM DEBARRED FROM SAG BUSINESS

1. THE MARCH 9, 1978 EDITION OF THE ARABIC DAILY AL-RIYADH PUBLISHED A WARNING BY THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, PRINCE NAYEF IBN ABDUL AZIZ, NOT TO DEAL WITH THE U.S. FIRM TELCOM FOR THE FIRM'S FAILURE TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT TO DESIGN AND CARRY OUT A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK FOR THE MINISTRY. THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE STATED THAT--QUOTE THE COMPANY WAS SLOW IN PERFORMING THE PROJECTS DESPITE OPPORTUNITIES AND FACILITIES PROVIDED AND CONSEQUENTLY WITHDREW BEFORE CARRYING OUT THE WORK. END QUOTE.

- 2. THE NOTIFICATION WAS SENT TO ALL PERTINENT MINISTRIES IN THE KINGDOM.
- 3. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO EMBASSY RECORDS, THE FIRM WITHDREW ALL OFFICES AND PERSONNEL FROM SAUDI ARABIA IN EARLY 1977 AND IS NOW REPORTEDLY BASED IN AMMAN, JORDAN. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT THE FIRM'S U.S. OFFICES ARE: TELCOM INCORPORATED, 8027 LEESBURG PIKE, VIENNA, VIRGINIA 22180. ABOVE INFO IS PROVIDED IN CASE FIRM UNCLASSIFIED

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4. AS FAR AS CAN BE ASCERTAINED THE U.S. FIRM HAD A RATHER SMALL PROJECT WITH THE MINISTRY BUT DETAILS ARE NOT PRESENTLY KNOWN.
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